Amendments to the Specification

The paragraphs starting at page 5, line 23 and ending at page 6, line 18 have been amended as follows.

The present invention has been made in view of the above respects, and ~~has as its object to~~ can provide a discharging apparatus that can discharge many types of different liquids from a nozzle, in which when the liquids are supplied to the respective nozzles, even if some nozzle is left without being injected with any liquid, a medium such as small dust, bubbles, and liquids with increased viscosities can be removed reliably from the respective nozzles.

~~It is another object of the~~ The present invention ~~to~~ can also provide a discharging apparatus that enables the removed used liquid to be used again.

In order to achieve the above ~~objects~~, the discharging apparatus according to the present invention ~~has~~ can have the following arrangement.

That is, a discharging apparatus having a discharge head in which a plurality of discharge nozzles are arranged to discharge a liquid supplied from supply ports through discharge ports, ~~comprising~~ comprises removing means for removing a medium in the discharge nozzles by applying a pressure difference between the supply ports and discharge ports of the discharge nozzles,

The paragraph starting at page 25, line 2 and ending at line 12 has been amended as follows.

Also, the gas can be injected into only some of the plurality of liquid supply ports 55. Regarding a method for this, when the cap 60 is in contact with that liquid supply port 55 into which the gas is not to be injected, the corresponding atmosphere valve 78 and pump 69 are not operated in the above operations of (ii) and (iii). When the caps 60 are in contact with those liquid supply ports 55 into which the gas is to be injected, the above operations of (i), (ii), and (iii) are performed. Then, the gas can be injected into only some liquid supply ports 55.